WHOLESALE FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

Lamons—Messina lemons came in freely; several cars arriving yesterday selling at \$5 per case. Stronach & Sons had a car of Navel or-

seeling at \$5 per case.

Stronach & Sons had a car of Navel oranges seiling at \$5.50 to \$7 per case; a heavy shipment of leaf lettuce at 35c per doz; pears at \$5.50 per box; celery at \$4 per case; lemons at \$4.50 to \$5 per case; grapefruit at \$4.75 to \$5 per case; Emperor grapes at \$7.50 per keg; potatoes at \$2.75 per bag.

Chas. S Simpson had a car of Cal. celery selling at \$11.50 per case; a car of grapefruit, 80's to 126's at \$4 to \$4.50 per case; Emperor grapes at \$7.50 to \$8.50 per keg; Malagas at \$13 to \$18 per keg; pears at \$5 to \$6 per box; sweet potatoes at \$2.75 per hamper; green peppers at \$1.10 per basket; holly wreaths at \$2.25 per doz.

Dawson-Elliott had a car of Messina lemons selling at \$5 per case; a car of Nova Scotia apples, domestic pack, at \$5.50 to \$7.25 per bbl.; Florida Navel oranges at \$6 per case; grapefruit at \$4.25 per case; Rome Beauty apples at \$3.50 per box; onions at \$7 per cwt.; Spanish at \$7.50 per case.

H. J. Ash had Thedford celery selling

per box; onions at \$7 per cwt.; Spanish at \$7.50 per case.

H. J. Ash had Thedford celery selling at \$7 to \$7.50 per case; Ealdwin and Stark apples at \$6 per bbl.; Navel oranges at \$6 to \$7 per case; Valencias at \$6 to \$6.50 per case; Emperor grapes at \$8 and Malagas at \$14 and \$15 per keg; sweet potatoes at \$2.75 per hamper; Smyrna figs at 35c to 40c per ib.; Hallowi dates at 19c per lb.; holly wreaths at \$2.25 per dc.

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McWilliam & Everist, Limited, had a car of Messina lemons selling at \$5 per case; Sunkist Valencia oranges at \$6 to \$7 per case; Spy apples at \$6 to \$9 per bb!; pine-apples at \$8 per case; Smyrna figs at 42c per lb.; Hallowi dates at 19c per lb.; Cal. celery at \$11.50 per case; dauliflower at 42c per bol.; earnots at \$1.50; parsnips at \$2.25; beets at \$2 and turnips at 90c per bag; apples at \$5.50 to \$8.50 per bol., and \$3 50 per box; onions at \$7.50 per cwt.

D. Spence had a car of Messina lemons selling at \$5 per case; Navel oranges at \$6.25 to \$6.75 per case; grapefruit at \$4.75 per case; apples at 65c per 11-quart basket; celery at \$5 to \$5.50 per case; Hallowi dates at 19c per lb.; cabbage at \$4 per bbl.

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The Ontario Produce Co. had a car of Spy apples selling at \$8.50, \$7.50 and \$6.50 per bbl.; a car of cabbage at \$4 to \$4.50 per bbl.; potatoes at \$2.75 per bag; onlons at \$5.25 per 75 lbs.; Cal. at \$7.50 per cwt.; oranges, at \$6 to \$6.50 per case.

Peters, Duncan, Limited, had Florida Navel oranges at \$5 to \$7 per case; Cal. celery at \$11 50 per case; cauliflower at \$6.50 per standard, and \$4 per pony crate; Iceberg head lettuce at \$7 per case; grapefruit at \$4 to \$5 per case; Emperor grapes at \$7.50 to \$8 per keg; lemons at \$5 per case; Spy apples at \$3.50 per box; holly at \$7.50 per case; cabbage at \$4 per bbl.

W. J. McCart Co.

at \$10 to \$18 per keb; Cal. celery at \$12 per case.

White & Co., Ltd., had a car of navel oranges, selling at \$5.50 to \$6.50 per case; a car of Messina lemons at \$5 per case; a car of Cal. celery at \$11.50 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 1's at 35c to 40c per lb.; No. 2's at 20c to 25c per lb.; endive, shallots, green peppers and parsley at \$1 per dozen; sweet potatoes at \$2.75 per hamper; Florida head lettuce at \$3 and \$5 per hamper; Cal. Iceberg at \$7 to \$7.50 per case; cranberries at \$14 per bbl.; Smyrna figs at 35c to 40c per lb.

40c per lb.

Jos. Bamford & Sons had a car
Sunkist Valencia oranges, selling at 3 Bamford & Sons had a car of the Valencia oranges, selling at \$5.50 Beef, chindquarters, cwt. 22 00 25 00 per case; Florida gravels at \$5 per case; Florida gra to \$7 per case; Florida grapefruit at \$4:50 to \$5 per case; Cal. lemons at \$4 to \$5 per case; Rome Beauty apples at \$3.75 per box; onions at \$5.50 per 75 lbs. to \$5 per case; Rome Beauty apple \$3.75 per box; onions at \$5.50 per 75 lbs.;

The Union Fruit and Produce, Limited, had a car of navel oranges, selling at \$6.50 per case; Rome Beauty and Black Twig apples at \$4 per box; lemons at \$5.25 to \$5.50 per case; apples at \$6 to \$7.25 per bbl.; Emperor grapes at \$7.50 to \$8 per keg; carrots at \$1.50, turnips at \$1, and beets at \$2 per bag.

Manser-Webb had Valencia oranges, selling at \$6 to \$6.50 per case; grapefruit at \$4.50 to \$5 per case; lemons at \$5 per case; Emperor grapes at \$8, and Malagas at \$14 per keg; Cal. celery at \$11.50 per case; Iceberg head lettuce at \$7 to \$7.50 per case; Florida head lettuce at \$5.50 per large hamper; apples at 19c per lb.

The lorge Evit Case. The Union Fruit and Produce, Limited,

\$3.50 to \$4 per box; Hallowi dates at 19c per lb.

The Longo Fruit Co. had a car of navel oranges, selling at \$6 to \$7 per case; lemons at \$5 to \$5.50 per case; sweet potatoes at \$2.75 per hamper; apples at \$4 per box; Spanish onions at \$7.50 per case; onions at \$6.50 per sack; hothouse tomatoes at 40c to 45c per lb.

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Wholesale Fruits.

Apples—Western boxed, \$3.50 to \$4 per box; Ontarios and Nova Scotias, \$5.50 to \$3.50 per bbl.; Ontario boxed, \$1.60 to \$3.50 per box.

Bananas—Sc per lb.

Cranberries—\$11.50 to \$12.50 per bbl., \$6 to \$6.25 per box; late Howes, \$14 per bbl., \$7.25 per box.

Grapes—Emperors, \$7.25 to \$8 per keg or drum; Spanish Malagas, \$11 to \$18 per keg.

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Grapefruit—Florida, \$4 to \$5.50 per case; Jamaican, \$3 per case. Lemons—\$4 to \$6 per case. Melons—Casabas, \$4.50 per case. Oranges—Late Valencias, \$5.50 to \$7 per case; Cal: navefs, \$5 to \$7.5 per case; Florida navels at \$5 to \$7 per case. Pears—Imported, \$5 to \$6.50 per box. Pineapples—Cuban, \$8, \$8.50 and \$10 per case.

per case.

Tangerines—\$3.50 to \$5 per case.

Tomatoes—Hothouse, No. 1's, 38c to
45c per lb.: No. 2's, 25c to 35c per lb.

Wholesale Vegetables.

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Artichokes—Jerusalem, 60c per 11-qt.
basket; French, \$3.50 per dozen.
Beans—New, \$5 per hamper.
Beets—\$1.75 to \$2 per bag.
Cabbage—\$4 per bbl.
Carrots—\$1.50 per bag.
Cauliflower—Cal., \$6.25 to \$6.50 per standard crate, \$4 per pony crate.

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Parsnips—\$2 to \$2.25 per hag.

Radishes—40c to 50c per doz. bunches. Sweet potatoes—\$2.75 per hamper. Shallots—90c to \$1 per dozen bunches; lomestic, 40c per dozen. Turnips—\$1 per bag.

Bag Lots. 30c 26c 34c 2 Lots. Valnuts, Grenoble, lb.... Almonds, ib 31c 34c
Almonds, shelled, lb 55c 60c
Cocoanuts—Per sack of 100 \$12.
Paanuts—Green, sacks, 15c per !!
Chestnuts—32c per lb.
Hickory nuts—10c per lb.
Wholesale Dates, Figs and Raisins.
Dromedary—\$7 per case.

Dromedary—\$7 per case. Excelsior—\$5.50 to \$6 per case. Fard—30c and 32c per lb.

WHITE & CO., Limited

CHURCH and FRONT STREETS

Wish Their Many Friends and Patrons A Very Merry Christmas

A Happy and Prosperous New Year

WISH OUR PATRONS A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A PROSPEROUS NEW

MANSER-WEBB, 83 Colborne St.---Main 5229

NAVEL ORANGES, EMPEROR GRAPES FLORIDA GRAPEFRUIT, CALIFORNIA LEMONS STRONACH & SONS 33 Church St. Main 2877, 5236

Hallowi—18c to 20c per lb.
Smyrna figs—35c to 42c per lb.
California figs—\$5 per 70-package
case. \$4.50 per 50-package case.
Cluster raisins—\$7.50 per case of 20
one-pound packages, \$2 to \$2.75 per
quarter-case, \$8.50 per 22-lb. case. Holly—\$7 to \$8 per case.
Holly wreaths—\$2 to \$2.25 per dozer

FARM PRODUCE.

Hay.—There were sixteen loads of hay brought in, selling at unchanged prices. Poultry has kept firm in price, turkeys selling at 55c to 62c per lb.; geese at 35c to 38c; ducks at 35c to 40c; chickens at 35c to 40c, and fowl at 30c to 32c per lb.

grapes at \$7.50 to \$8 per keg; lemons at holly at \$7.50 per case; cabbage at \$4 per bbl.

W. J. McCart Co., Limited, had a car of late Howe cranberries selling at \$14 per bbl, and \$17.25 per box; shallots at \$1 per qoz.; holly at \$7.50 to \$8 per case; tangerines at \$4.50 to \$4.75 per case; holly at \$7.50 to \$8 per case; havel oranges at \$6 to \$7.25 per case; Navel oranges at \$6 to \$7.25 per case; Navel oranges at \$3.75 to \$4, and Winesaps at \$4 to \$4.25 per box; Emperor crapes at \$8 to \$8.50, and Malagas per case.

White & Co., Ltd., had a car of navel oranges, selling at \$5.50 to \$6.50 per case; a car of Messina lemons at \$5 per case; a car of Cal. celery at \$11.50 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per case; hothouse tomatoes, No. 15 at \$15 per lb. 0 32 per lb. 0 35 per strained, per lb. 0 25 Pure Lard-

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Veal, No. 1, cwt. 24 90 26 00
Hogs, 120 to 150 lbs., cwt. 21 00 23 00
Hogs, heavy, cwt. 19 00 21 00
Poultry Prices Being Paid to Producer.
Chickens, spring 15

0 24

Turkeys, lb. 0 40

Dreseed—
('hickens, spring, lb. \$0 26 to \$0 32

Ducklings, lb. 0 32 9 35

I'ens, under 5 lbs, lb. 0 23

Hens, ever 5 lbs, 0 25

Geese, lb. 0 26

Turkeys, lb. 0 50

Roostels, lb. 0 30

WINNIPEG GRAIN MARKET.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 23.—Oats closed %c higher to 1/4c lower; barley 3c higher to 1/4c lower; fiax 6/4c to 1/4c lower, and rye 4c to 31/2c higher.

Quotations. Oats: December—Open, 92c; close, 32c. May—Open, 92%c; close, 93c. Oats: December—Open, 92%c; close, 93c. 92½c. May—Open, 92½c; close, 89½c. Barley: December—Open, \$1.71 to \$1.72; close, \$1.71. May — December—Open, \$1.59½; close, \$1.58½. Fiax: December—Open, \$4.84; close, \$4.85. May—Open, \$4.75; close, \$4.75. Rye; December—Close, \$1.81. May—

Open, \$1.86; close, \$1.87. May-Open, \$1.86; close, \$1.87.

Cash Prices.

Oats—No. 2 C.W., 93c; No. 3 C.W., 59½c; extra No. 1 feed, 89¾c; No. 1 feed, 88½c; No. 2 feed, 84½c;

Barley—No. 3 C.W., \$1.71; No. 4 C.W., \$1.66; rejected, \$1.35%; feed, \$1.34%.

I'lax—No. 1 N.W.C., \$4.85; No. 2 C.W., \$4.81; No. 3 C.W., \$4.85; No. 2 C.W., l'lax—No. 1 N.W.C.. \$4.86 \$4.81; No. 3 C.W., \$4.45. Rye—No. 2 C.W., \$1.81.

MONTREAL PRODUCE MARKET.

Montreal, Dec. 23.—There was no actual change in the condition of the market for cash oats here today, and only sales of odd cars of No. 2 Canadian western were made at \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 2 Canadian western were made at \$1.05 to \$1.06; No. 3 C.W. and extra No. 1 feed at \$1.03 to \$1.04; No. 1 feed at \$1.01 to \$1.02, and No. 2 feed at 90c to \$1 per bushel extern. There were no further developments in the local flour situation today, prices for all grades being firm. A very firm feeling prevails in the market for all lines of mill feed.

Oats—Extra No. 1 feed, \$1.03 to \$1.04. Flour—Government standard, \$11 to Rolled oats-Bag 90 lbs., \$4.75 to \$5.

Bran—\$45.25. Shorts—\$52.25. Hay—No. 2, per ton, car lots, \$24 to

Dressed hogs-Abattoir killed, \$24.50 to i ard-Pure wood pails, 20 lbs. net,-29c to 51c.

New York, Dec. 23.—A wholesale price of 15.20c a pound, less two per cent for cash, was announced here today by B. H. Howell, Son & Co., as the first quotation for granulated sugar refined from the closed steady: Dec. 25.50; Jan., 24.88; Feb., 34.20; March, 23.51; April. 22.78; May, 21 96; June, 21.41; July, 20.75; Aug., 20.11; Sept., 19.48; Oct., 18.80; Nov., 18.30.



LIVE STOCK MARKET.

The Union Stock Yards market may be said to have practically closed for the week yesterday, receipts being very light with the prospect for today's being further reduced. What cattle there were, sold at unchanged prices, but the holiday spirit is all over and by noon the yards and offices were deserted. The runs of late have been more than ample and the plants are well stocked up. In the small stuff there was no change worth speaking about, and a buyer for one of the big plants, talking about hogs, said that none of the firms were figuring on much of a kill this week and that while they were not soliciting consignments they would take care of any that came. The tone is firm and bids fair to continue so. continue so.

Commenting on the price of hogs he said his firm was quoting 16c to the farmer, 16¼ f.o.b., and 17¼ fed and wa-

tered. With the approach of the Christmas season the live stock editor of The World desires to convey to the officials of the exchange and every commission house and drover sincere thanks for the unfailing courtesy extended on every occasion. That much of the success attending the live stock business in Toronto is attributable to the sterling business integrity of the commission houses doing business on the exchange, goes without ousiness on the exchange, goes without

saying. EAST BUFFALO LIVE STOCK.

300; steady.

Calves, receipts 800; \$1 lower; \$6 to \$20.

Hogs, receipts 8,500; 25c to 35c lower; heavy and mixed, \$14; yorkers and pigs, \$14; roughs, \$12 to \$12.25; stags, \$8 to \$11.

Sheep and lambs, receipts 3,000; lambs, 50c lower; lambs, \$10 to \$18.75, others unchanged

tle pigs in Brant are described as being a drug on the market at \$4 each. In gsows, smooth, \$12.75 to \$13.25; heavy packing sows, rough, \$12 to \$12.75; pigs, \$12.25 to \$13.25.

Cattle, receipts, 12,000; firm. Beef steers, medium and heavyweight, choice and prime, \$18 75 to \$20; medium and choice, \$11.25 to \$18.75; common. \$8.75 to \$11.25 to \$18.75; common. \$8.75 to \$11.25; light, good and choice, \$14 to \$19.25; common and medium, \$7.75 to \$14; butcher cattle, heifers, \$6.50 to \$13.50; comners and cutters, \$5.25 to \$6.25; veal calves, \$15.50 to \$16; feeder steers, \$6.75 to \$12.25; stocker steers, \$6.75 to \$12.25; Sheep, receipts, 17,000; strong. Lambs, \$15.50 to \$17.75; culls and common, \$4.50 to \$10.25; culls and common, \$4.50 to \$10.25;

butcher heifers, medium, \$8.25 to \$9.50; common, \$6.50 to \$8; butcher cows, medium, \$6 to \$8; canners, \$5 to \$5.25; cut-A very firm feeling prevailed in the narket for eggs and prices show no hange. The tone of the market for poatoes remains firm under a steady decay. The tone of the market for poatoes remains firm under a steady decay.

off car weights, with all except light feeders and sows, passed as selects. Sows are \$4 less than selects. One sale was made at \$18.50, fed and watered. Quotations: Off car weights selects Cheese—Finest easterns, 31c.
Butter—Choicest creamery, 68½c.
Eggs—Fresh, \$1 to \$1.10; selected, 68c;
No. 1 stock, 57c; No. 2 stock, 53c to 55c.
Potatoes—Per bag, car lots, \$2.25 to

JUMP IN SUGAR.

GRAIN STIFFENS ON **EUROPEAN DEMAND**

Early Weakness, Largely Due to Break in Hog Values, is Overcome.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Brisk European emand for wheat, rye and oats made he corn market today average higher. Trade in corn, however, lacked volume. The close was weak at half a cent net decline to quarter of cent advance with January 186 1-4 to 136 3-8, and May 133 1-2 to 133 5-8. Oats finished 1-4c off to 1-4c up and provisions varying from 12c loss to a rise

Gossip was current that as a substitute for wheat desired for France, but which could not be readily obbut which could not be readily obtained, rye had been purchased to the extent of 500,000 bushels at almost the highest prices yet this season. Besides oreign buying of 450,000 bushels of oats was reported. Under such circumstances, corn developed considerable strength after a weak start that was ascribed to a sharp break in hog values and to an unusually big total of hog arrivals here. An advance in stering was also of some help in rallying orn. Toward the last, however, sales of corn to go to store led to a setback in the corn market, and so likewise did the fact that 30,000 hogs had been guite a bull market would be in progress, and they regard the present hull in activity as of a purely transient character.

Timiskaming was the leader among the Cobalt's yesterday. More than 15,000 shares changed hands, the day's maximum price being 51 1-2, and the closing, 51, showed a net gain of an even point. The purchaser of Timiskaming at 51 is really getting the stock around 47 as it will sell exdividend 4 per cent, at the end of the month. Mining Corporation, which has been climbing steadily since it broke to \$1.60 following the announcement of the passing of the eft over unsold. Oats paralleled the changes in corn.

Lard and ribs were wea kwith hogs. Pork offerings were scarce.

ON CHICAGO MARKET

Hughes, Harcourt & Co., 307 Royal Bank building, received the following wire at the close of the Chicago market yesterday: Corn was higher early, owing to lack of pressure rather than aggressive buying by commission houses. The majority of the local trade is bearish, in anticipation of an ncreased movement that seems a natural expectancy, in view of the large crop and high prices prevailing. leanwhile there are only 4000 bushels of contract corn in store in public elevators for delivery on December contracts, the balance of the 48,000 bushels being old corn, which sells at an enormous premium over December. The market will continue in the nervous state, and the course of values will be influenced largely by the movement of corn from the country.

of line" in view of the striking claims made on behalf of the Kirkland Lake property controlled by the Beaver. There was a good demand for Kirkland Lake stock yesterday at 49 3-4, and the bid later moved up to 50 1-2. As Beaver cowns the great bulk of Kirkland Lake stock it should logically rise with the latter. Adanac continued firm at 6 3-4.

WINNIPEG CATTLE MARKET.

Winnipeg, Dec. 23.—(Dominion Live Stock Branch.)—Receipts this morning were very light, the totals being: Cattle, 365: hogs, 120: sheep, 3. Markets are very quiet, with little trading, and quotations generally in line with Monday's close: Hogs steady, at \$16 for selects, fed and watered. A few very common sheep sold for \$5.

COTTON STATISTICS.

Liverpool, Dec. 23 —Weekly cotton statistics; imports, \$4,000 bales; American, 36,000; stock, 837,000; American, 626,000; forwarded. 36,000; American, 28,000; exporst, 4,00; sales, 15,000; American,

FARM CONDITIONS

Milch Cows Increasing in Valu Pure Breds in Demand.

The following is a summary of reports made by agricultural representatives to the Ontario Department of Agriculture: While several representatives state that too many cattle are going to market in a lean condition, others report some fine baby beef being sold, Dufferin quoting as high as 23½c a pound being paid.

There is an increase reported in the quantity of milk going to powdered milk

There is an increase reported in the quantity of milk going to powdered milk factories and other condenseries. Prince Edward states that, judging by the prices paid at auction sales, milch cows

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Dec. 23.—Hogs, receipts, 81.
000; lower; bulk, \$13.25 to \$13.50; top, \$13.65; heavy, \$13 25 to \$13.50; medium, sing sows, smooth, \$12.75 to \$13.15. Packing sows, rough, \$12 to \$12.75; pigs, \$12.25
Cattle, receipts, 12,000; firm.
steers, medium and heavyweigh, holce, \$11.25; for to \$200.

BRANTFORD OVERDRAFT

Finishes Year Sixty-Seven Thousand Behind-Will Raise Rate.

Brantford, Dec. 23-(Special) - City Treasurer A. K. Bunnell this afternoon ters, \$5.25 to \$5.75; butchers bulls, common, \$6.75 to \$7.50 butchers bulls, common, \$6.75 to \$7. Calves—Receipts 162.
Calf trade steady. Quotations: Good veal, \$14 to \$17; medium, \$9 to \$14; grass, \$7 to \$7.50.
Sheep—Receipts 432. The market for sheep and lambs remains strong. Quotations: Ewes, \$7.50 to \$9: lambs, good, \$16.50; common, \$14.50 to \$15.50.
Hogs—Receipts 476. Hogs sold for \$18 off car weights, with all except light feeders and sows, passed. and policemen and other civic employees will add another three mills, since the fire department on Christmas Day go on the double platoon system. The ovedraft this year was more than half due to increased expenditure on streets, and increased salaries, supervised playgrounds, extension of the work of the health department, and the new civic garbage collecting system all added their quota, and increased material costs were also effective.

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TIMISKAMING IN STRONG DEMAND

Nipissing, Crown Reserve, Mining Corporation, Kirkland Lake Also Advance.

the mining market with a strong undertone and with mining men in general professing confidence as to the outlook for 1920. Trading yesterday was of the pre-holiday character naturally to be expected, but the underlying firmness left little to be desired and, among the silver stocks especially, there were a number of moderate gains. Brokers are of the opinion that, but for the Christmas season, quite a bull market would be in pro-

nouncement of the passing of the dividend for the final quarter of the year, rose 10 points to \$1.90 with more wanted at that figure and \$1.95 asked. Nipissing held its sharp gain of Monday, selling at \$14.25, and Crown Reserve advanced half a point to 44. Peterson Lake was active and held steady at 20. The buying reflects hope that the management will shortly make an important statement bearing on the company's affairs presumably dealing with the disposal of the much-discussed slimes. Treth-ewey at 49 and Beaver at 48 1-2 each sold half a point lower, some holders being inclined to take profits and switch to other issues. Friends of Beaver make no secret of their con-viction that the stock is selling "out of line" in view of the striking claims

In addition to Kirkland Lake Schu-macher and V. N. T. were strong spots in the gold group, the former strong selling up 1 1-4 to 23 1-4 and the latter a point to 21 1-2. Keora remained steady at 19. Hollinger at \$6.75 was easier as was also McIntyre at \$2.13.

SHIP SILVER TO CHINA TO SUPPORT EXCHANGE

Three Million Dollars to Leave San Francisco on Christmas Day.

New York, Dec. 23.-Three million silver dollars will be shipped to China from San Francisco Christmas Day for the purpose of stabilizing far east ex-change and conserving this country's supply of gold, it was announced here today. The shipment is being made on International Banking Corporation, the Park Foreign Banking Corporation and the Asia Banking Corporation.

Twelve viously had been forwarded to China on private account, one of 3,000,000 on November 25 and another of 9,000,000 on Dec. 10. The Christmas shipment. however, will be the first under the ar-Sanking Corporation and the government in accordance with the terms of silver dollars have been pro cured against tender of current funds from the free supply carried by the government in its general fund.

CHRISTMAS 1919

The President, Directors and Officers of

THE ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

desire to offer to the Customers and Friends of the Bank Best Wishes for a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

cent. silver. December production and following months should be very high. Rich milling rock lies for several feet on each side of the very

PRICE OF SILVER. London, Dec. 23 .- Bar silver 771/2d per

New York, Dec. 23.—Bar silver, \$1.331/2.

TO MAKE MONTREAL **ALCOHOLIC MECCA**

Many U. S. Distillers and Brewers May Establish Plants There.

New York, Dec. 23.—Montreal may soon be the Mecca of a horde of distillers and brewers, according to tentative plans being formulated by these manufacturers under the stress of forcible expropriation of their plants in the United States under the national prohibition amendment. American brewers and distillers, it was learned today, are discussing the advisability of re-establishing their places of business in Canada and Cuba, in the event that their appeal to the supreme court meets with no success.

After Jan. 1, when the ban on liquor is lifted in Canada, it is expected that large shipments will be made to that

HELD UP DEPARTMENT STORE.

BY ADMIRAL SIMS

Declares U. S. Secretary of Navy Unwarrantably Altered

Washington, Dec. 23.—Rumblings of lissatisfaction within the navy at the way Secretary Daniels has arranged the awards of decorations for war service came to the surface today when it became known that Admiral Sime former commander of the American naval forces in European waters, had declined to accept his distinguished service medal while the awards remain

Coming as the climax to published charges that Secretary Daniels had rearranged the whole list of awards, raising some officers to higher distinction than recommended, blue pen-

when the prohibition amendations and opportunity to explain the reason that will be left in this country to escape destruction at the hands of federal agents is that druggists may acquired into a form of alcohol lending itself to industrial uses.

an opportunity to explain the reason for his original recommendations. Besides that, the admiral does not ask that the highest award be taken from any officer upon whom it already has been conferred, but he does ask for a revision upward of some of the lesser descriptions.

HYDRO Power Shortage

The capacity of the generating plants at Niagara Falls, available to the Commission for supplying the power and lighting demands in the Niagara district, has reached its limit, which has necessitated the Commission limiting the amounts of power that can be supplied to the Municipalities in the Niagara district.

The power shortage during the winter months is greatly increased by the overlapping of lighting and power loads, by the extensive use of electric heaters, and also at times on account of the blocking by ice of the water supply to the generating plants.

The Commission are asking the co-operation of every Hydro user, whether domestic or industrial, to assist them in conserving power and light in every possible way in order that an uninterrupted service may be maintained, until a further supply of power is obtained for this system.

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No decision has yet been made by any of the liquor interests to move away from the United States, so far as could be learned, and no definite plans will be made until every legal resource is exhausted. However, if conditions should warrant, plans will be drawn up and estimates made showing the cost of building breweries an distilleries in the Dominion and the island republic.

Machinery used by the liquor interests in the United States will be salvaged and shipped out of the country. The only additional expense to the trade would be the buildings where the liquor would be manufactured.

Montreal has been mentioned as the city where American liquor interests will build breweries and distilleries if they were driven out of the United States, and, in view of the recent defeats of their cause, it appears a foregone conclusion that they will be forced to leave. After Jan. 1, when the ban on liquor is lifted in Canada, it is expected that

In the meantime distillers are making frantic efforts to ship their products out of the country before Jan. 16, the date when the prohibition amendment goes into affect.

Admiral Sims, in his letter, does repeat to refuse his decoration we conditionally. He refused it under to conditions he outlines and he asks an opportunity to explain the results. tion.
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GROWN RESERVE'S VEIN

A Cobalt wire to Howard Graham & Co. yesterday said: Drifting on the vein at the Crown Reserve has progressed over 70 feet. Portions of the switch as waiting taxicab.

HELD UP DEPARTMENT STORE.

Mount Vernon. N.Y., Dec. 23.—Six men armed with revolvers etered the distributing station of a New York department of the navy since his sensational "last drop of blood" slip in the Guildhall at London, when he drew the attention of the foreign offices of Berlin, London and Washington, has figured in many navy sensations before, and has many warm supporters among the officers. among the officers.

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